Governing Board Candidate Statement Polly A. Hageman, P. O. Box 3, Young, Arizona 85554

I am currently a Board member and am seeking re-election for the Young Public School Board of Education. I believe that all members of the Board must be dedicated to serving and teaching all children. Local school Boards are unique and make public education flexible to fit their community. We must be accountable to our school community as well as to the members of our community. We must carry out our role of putting students and their educational programs first. Then, we must work on implementing policies and fiscal responsibilities to continue to make our school as efficient as possible. As a school Board member, I am entrusted with the important responsibility of a quality education to train our children to be productive citizens of our great country. Our children must be career ready for any path that they choose.

To ensure success for all students, we must have and retain highly qualified teachers, a capable Administrator, as well as skilled and dedicated support staff members. It is our duty to provide a healthy and safe learning environment for our students, thus maximizing student achievement.

As a long time resident of Young, I am committed to transparent budget challenges and decisions, however, the students' needs must be met. Having worked at Young Public School for 30+ years in various capacities, but especially in finance, I will use my knowledge of school finance and school laws to help keep the District operating efficiently.

If re-elected as a Board member, my goal is to represent the students, parents, school community and community. Our children are our most valuable assets. We can have the best little school in Arizona!